

# Minutes

Date: Monday, 13 March 2023

Time: 6:30pm

Location: Microsoft Teams

## Board of Directors and Staff Attendees

Chairperson	Directors	MNSW
Director Darren Gossling	Madeleine Bowditch	Daniel Rushworth CEO
Deputy Chairperson Director Annaliese Cawood	Chelsea Cheney Kate Peck	Wendy Haddad EA

## No Item

### 1. Meeting Opening

- 1.1. Meeting Open by the Chair at 6:30pm.
- 1.2. Apologies  
There were no apologies noted.
- 1.3. Director conflict of interest declarations. Director Cheney advised that she is now a member of the Goulburn Motorcycle Club.

Darren Gossling (Chairperson) - Member of Oyster Bay MCC	Annaliese Cawood (Deputy Chairperson) - Member of Bankstown Wiley Park MCC - Stay Upright	Kate Peck (Director) - Member of Bankstown Wiley Park MCC - MA Media Consultant
Madeleine Bowditch (Director) - Member of Bankstown Wiley Park MCC	Chelsea Cheney (Director) - Member of Cooma MCC - Member of Goulburn MCC	
Daniel Rushworth (CEO) - Nil		

- 1.4. Previous minutes confirmation  
The minutes for the January meeting were confirmed by the Board.  
*Moved – Director Cheney*                      *Seconded – Director Peck*

- 1.5. Confirmation  
There were no Director Confirmations noted.

## 2. **Matters Arising for Decision**

### 2.1. MNSW 23-25 Strategic Plan Update

The CEO advised that the draft plan has been provided to the Board for review. The plan has been set out to accommodate the community and includes the feedback received from the survey and from the recent constitution engagement sessions. Following discussion, it was agreed that the Board will review the strategic plan and provide their feedback prior to Monday 20 March.

### 2.2. Auditor

The CEO advised that at the recent FRAP committee meeting, the committee recommended to the Board that the Auditor Proyou be approved. The Board unanimously agreed that Proyou be engaged as the MNSW Auditor.

### 2.3. MNSW Constitution Update

Director Bowditch advised of the following proposed amendments in the draft Constitution, on the basis of community feedback:

1. Council meetings to be changed to Delegates meetings
2. "Motorcycling" definition expanded to include recreational motorcycling and motorcycle sport
3. Clubs must be incorporated at the time of application to become affiliated
4. Clause 8.4. A discussion took place surrounding this clause and it was agreed that a time range be stated.
5. Number of life members. A discussion took place surrounding the number of life members and the appropriate maximum cap. Following extensive discussion, it was agreed that the Constitution be amended so that a maximum of one life member can be nominated per year.
6. Life Member voting. The Board discussed the life members being able to hold two votes (as a Life Member and club delegate) and it was agreed that they can only vote as a life member at General Meetings. They can represent their club and remain affiliated with their club, but they cannot vote on behalf of their club at these meetings.
7. Directors not being officials. Director Bowditch discussed this with the Board and it was agreed that a blanket prohibition will not be introduced as it discourages people joining the Board and from volunteering, as well as posing significant problems in Sports Committees (which are an extension of the Board).

Director Peck left the meeting at approximately 7:25pm.

### **3. Matters for Discussion**

#### **3.1. CEO Report**

The reports were taken as read.

The CEO discussed the Sydney Speedway and the importance of bringing speedway back to Sydney. An opportunity which could be explored is the Sydney Speedway Track at Eastern Creek which was finalized in 2021 and has not yet been utilized by our sport. The CEO recommends that this be explored by the MNSW Speedway Committee to engage with the venue operator and develop an event for the 2023 season, as part of broader efforts to increase access to facilities.

The Board unanimously agreed to support this recommendation.

The CEO advised that due to the ongoing issues experienced with RiderNet, it would be beneficial to engage a solution as an after-hours technical support person until the platform is more fit for purpose. The Board took part in a discussion surrounding this and the impact of RiderNet on MNSW staff and community and the issues that it is causing.

The Board unanimously agreed to support the CEO's recommendation for an afterhours resource to be implemented to provide assistance with RiderNet.

### **4. Matters for Noting**

#### **4.1. Key Dates Calendar**

The CEO advised that the dates for the State Championships have been sent to the Board.

### **5. Finance Report**

#### **5.1. In comparison with 2022, MNSW is on par. Year to date expenditure is in line with the budget. Legal fees have been higher than usual however this is expected due to the uplift of the Constitution and consultations with Landers.**

Director Cheney advised that the CEO is continuing work with GPL Partners on the budget allocation regarding improving seasonality.

### **6. Forthcoming Strategic Decisions**

#### **6.1. Chair's Update**

Chairperson Gossling advised that feedback needs to be provided to Sports Australia following their recent presentation and recommendations.

The Board discussed the recommendations provided by Sports Australia and determined that there is an importance of keeping the sport financially viable. Director Cheney discussed the

possibility of a shared services model with the other States for equal sharing of revenue and support. Reinvestment and allocation of MA revenue is a major component to be investigated, particularly with MAIL. Chairperson Gossling advised that the shared services model could include support agreements, KPIs, monthly reports and providing the service.

Chairperson Gossling advised that the advertisements for the MNSW Board Director positions will be live this week on various platforms including LinkedIn, Sports Australia, AICD and Sportspeople.

Chairperson Gossling discussed the Nominations Committee Charter and advised that the Terms of Reference have been drafted. Director Bowditch has distributed this to the Board.

Chairperson Gossling advised that at the December ALT meeting he requested that a business model review on centralized licensing be undertaken. Terms of Reference have been distributed to the Board and feedback is required before Thursday so that this can be discussed at the ALT scheduled this week. Chairperson Gossling and the CEO are meeting to review the Terms of Reference.

## 6.2. Sub Committee Updates

### i. The Governance Committee

Director Bowditch advised that work is continuing on the MNSW Constitution and community engagement feedback sessions.

### ii. The Investigations Committee

Director Bowditch advised that the Committee is meeting in mid-March and an update will be provided at the next Board meeting.

### iii. The Finance, Risk, Audit and Property Committee

No updates provided.

## 6.3. Sport Committee Updates

No updates were provided.

## 7. **General Business**

7.1. There was no general business.

## 8. **Meeting Close**

8.1. Meeting closed at 9:00pm.